

Mr. Abraham Cooper of California.
Mr. Eric M. Ueland of Oregon.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will entertain up to 15 requests for 1-minute speeches on each side of the aisle.

URGING SENATE PASSAGE OF THE HONORING OUR PACT ACT

(Mr. RUIZ asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. RUIZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to call on the Senate to immediately pass the Honoring our PACT Act.

In 2017, I met a veteran from Cathedral City, Jennifer Kepner, who developed pancreatic cancer due to her exposure to burn pits during her service in Iraq.

Despite being a young and otherwise healthy mother of two with no family history of cancer, she and her family faced roadblocks to getting the care that she needed from the VA.

At her kitchen table, she asked me to lead this fight, and I promised her I would. Now, 5 years later, we are closer than ever before to fulfilling Jennifer's vision for her fellow veterans.

With my provision included to get veterans the presumptive benefits they have earned and deserve, the Honoring our PACT Act will ensure that no other veteran will have to fight like Jennifer did for the care they need.

I urge the Senate to fulfill our Nation's promise to our veterans, honor Jennifer's memory, and pass the Honoring our PACT Act without delay.

WORLD UNIFICATION AGAINST PUTIN

(Mr. WILSON of South Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, yet again, the world is uniting against war criminal Putin and his murderous invasion of Ukraine.

The European Union is set to sign an agreement with Israel and Egypt which will free itself from Putin energy reliance. EU leaders say they will reduce Russian oil and gas imports, cutting financial resources to the Putin war machine where young Russians are sacrificed by Putin for personal gain of oil, money and power, while conducting mass murder in Ukraine.

In the plan, Israel will export natural gas in a pipeline to Egypt where it will be turned into liquified natural gas, then delivered to EU member states. I appreciate the service of Egyptian Ambassador to the U.S. Motaz Zahran.

During a trip to Israel this week, European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen said, The Kremlin's be-

havior only strengthens our resolve to break free of Russian fossil fuels.

In conclusion, God bless our troops who successfully protected America for 20 years in the global war on terrorism as it continues to move from the safe haven of Afghanistan to America.

As the co-chair of the EU Caucus and the Israel Caucus, I especially appreciate the cooperation we see today.

10TH ANNIVERSARY OF DACA

(Mr. CORREA asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. CORREA. Mr. Speaker, today I rise in honor of the 10th anniversary of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program or DACA.

Today, Dreamers are doctors, soldiers, nurses, frontline workers, police officers, and firefighters, and many, many DACA recipients have made the ultimate sacrifice for this country.

Here is a picture of one of my constituents, Jose Angel Garibay. Jose Angel Garibay was killed in action. He was the first marine to make the ultimate sacrifice in Iraq from Orange County.

There are many, many more soldiers—DACA recipients—that have made the ultimate sacrifice for their new country. It is time to give them permanent status in the United States.

PROTECTING INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS

(Mr. ALLEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. ALLEN. Mr. Speaker, with inflation at a 40-year high and a sluggish economy, attacking workers' freedoms should be the furthest thing from the President's mind.

President Biden's Department of Labor is in the process of changing the definition of an employee to include independent contractors. This would be devastating for the 19 million Americans who currently enjoy the flexibility that comes with building wealth by participating in the American Dream.

Under this change, workers classified as independent contractors would be subject to the same employment-related restrictions as traditional employees. This is an assault on the modern American worker.

Independent contractors were responsible for over 70 percent of the job growth during the last economic expansion before COVID. If we want to spur economic growth, we must remove barriers and allow our workforce to flourish.

Fortunately, my legislation, the Employee Rights Act, would codify protections for independent contractors, shielding them from these overreaching classifications.

NATIONAL DAIRY MONTH

(Mr. VALADAO asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. VALADAO. Mr. Speaker, June is National Dairy Month, an opportunity to honor the contributions of dairy farmers throughout the country.

I am proud to represent our Nation's largest dairy district and the hard-working men and women in the Central Valley who work tirelessly to provide our Nation with milk, cheese, ice cream, and all the other dairy products we enjoy.

There are over 30,000 dairy farms across the United States, and many of those are farmer-owned and operated. As a lifelong dairy farmer, I know firsthand the impact that these burdensome government regulations have on day-to-day operations of these family farms and businesses.

We need to reduce the regulatory burdens on our domestic agriculture producers and incentivize more production here at home. Supporting American agriculture and our dairy industry will bring food costs down and provide stability to our global food supply.

Thank you to our dairy farmers and manufacturers in the Central Valley and across the country for their contributions to our community. Happy Dairy Month.

2022 PHILANTHROPISTS OF THE YEAR

(Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to congratulate Ron and Terry Prill for being recognized as the 2022 Philanthropists of the Year.

For two decades, Ron and Terry have dedicated their lives to worthy causes, positively impacting residents across southwest Washington.

After retiring and moving to Camas, Ron served on the board of the Boys and Girls Club of Southwest Washington, helping make a difference in the lives of countless kids in our communities.

This venture inspired the Prills to continue giving back through other organizations. Among their numerous acts of charity, Ron and Terry have been highly supportive of several healthcare-related nonprofits and were critical in expanding PeaceHealth Southwest Washington's operations.

This includes a remodeled cardiology unit with state-of-the-art equipment and a cardiac education center, which provides care to countless patients and their families.

Ron and Terry, thank you for your unwavering support of our communities, and congratulations again on this well-deserved recognition.

RECOGNIZING THE LIBERTY CHRISTIAN ACADEMY BULLDOGS

(Mr. CLINE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1

minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. CLINE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the Liberty Christian Academy Bulldogs on winning the VHSL baseball Class 3 State title game.

The academy was founded in 1967, and in addition to its academic and biblical teachings, the school excels in sports. Their baseball State title this year marked their second State crown, as they won the 4A State title in 2017.

This game all came down to the seventh inning at the field in Spotsylvania, Virginia. Their opponent, the Abingdon Falcons, had taken the lead in the top of the seventh when Lane Duff of the academy walked three straight batters, sending home Cole Lambert for the go-ahead run.

The Falcons scored again on a bases-loaded walk to Jack Ferguson that scored Daniel Fellhauer and made it 5 to 3.

Yet, when the Bulldogs got their chance in the bottom of the seventh, they started a rally as Logan Duff led off with a triple. Then a sac fly by Tanner Thomas scored Duff to cut the Abingdon Falcons' lead to 5 to 4.

Finally, Lane Duff's two-run, walk-off single marked a three-run Liberty Christian Academy rally that propelled the Bulldogs to a 6 to 5 win last Saturday in the coveted VHSL Class 3 State title game.

Congratulations to the players, coaches, and parents on a great season.

HONORING KYLE PATTERSON

(Mr. MAST asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. MAST. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of Florida Fish and Wildlife Senior Investigator Kyle Patterson.

Just 5 days ago on June 9, Senior Investigator Patterson was involved in a fatal crash while on duty.

Senior Investigator Patterson faithfully served the people of St. Lucie County for more than 15 years. From his first assignment at the age of 19 to time spent with the Agriculture Crimes Intelligence Unit and Marine Intelligence Unit, he was dedicated. He was a public servant, committed to the safety of our homes and our community.

Senior Investigator Patterson was passionate about baseball, steer, his family, and God. He dedicated his time to numerous organizations, including the St. Lucie County Farm Bureau and Christ Fellowship, the church that we share.

His memory will absolutely live on with those who knew him and loved him best: his wife, Alisha; his children, Kole and Kinsley; and his parents and sisters.

Please honor the life of Special Investigator Patterson and salute him because he gave a lifetime of service, and service did take his life.

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CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF RENEE VAN NETT

(Mr. STAUBER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. STAUBER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to celebrate and honor the life of Renee Van Nett from Duluth, Minnesota, who bravely battled her diagnosis of terminal cancer and recently passed away.

Renee was well-known and well-loved across the northland. She was a dedicated mother, city council member, and active community member. Her tragic passing has affected many, showing the countless lives she touched and made a difference in.

Though the loss leaves a hole in the lives of many, the work Renee accomplished has left a legacy that will live on beyond any of us.

As the first Native American person to have been elected to the Duluth City Council, Renee will always be remembered as an inspiration to her fellow Red Lake Nation members and to the entire Native American community.

I am grateful for Renee sharing her compassion, dedication, and love for Duluth and all its people. May we all continue to help carry on her legacy.

CRISIS AT OUR SOUTHERN BORDER

(Mr. ROSE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. ROSE. Mr. Speaker, our Nation is facing a lot of problems: historic inflation, sky-high prices at the pump, and a shortage of baby formula.

But it is important not to lose sight of another crisis going on more than 1500 miles southwest of where we are gathered right now: 2.6 million illegal immigrants have been apprehended at our southern border since President Biden took the oath of office.

There were more than 234,000 migrant encounters at the border just in April. That is the most for any month in history. That is also a 1,268 percent increase from April of 2020.

Border Patrol seized more than 340,000 pounds of drugs since last October, including enough fentanyl to kill more than 2 billion people.

Yet, this administration is still fighting to repeal title 42. It is past time to put an end to these open border policies and put the American people first.

REMEMBERING DR. EUGENE TALMADGE MADDOX

(Mr. CARTER of Georgia asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in memory of Dr. Eugene Talmadge Maddox, a veterinarian and a remarkable Georgian.

Mr. Speaker, 1954 was an eventful year for Gene, as he graduated from Alexander Baldwin Agricultural College and married the love of his life, Patsy Copeland. He went on to receive his veterinary degree from the University of Georgia in 1959.

Following his graduation, they moved to Thomasville, Georgia, where he worked at Clanton Veterinary Hospital. He founded his own animal hospital, Cairo Animal Hospital, in 1963, and served Grady and surrounding cities until he retired in 2004 to serve as a Georgia State representative for Grady and Decatur counties in 2012.

In 2006, he was honored by the Georgia Veterinary Medical Association as Veterinarian of the Year. In 2015, he received the prestigious J.T. Mercer Lifetime Achievement Award.

An active member of his community, Gene was the former president of the American Veterinary Medical Association, the Georgia Veterinary Medical Association, and a member of the Georgia Cattlemen's Association. He also served as chief veterinary medical examiner under four Governors during his career.

A loving father and husband, an outdoorsman, a community advocate, and a dedicated veterinarian, Gene is sure to be missed.

FEDERAL RESERVE RACIAL AND ECONOMIC EQUITY ACT

Mr. GREEN of Texas. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to House Resolution 1170, I call up the bill (H.R. 2543) to amend the Federal Reserve Act to add additional demographic reporting requirements, to modify the goals of the Federal Reserve System, and for other purposes, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 1170, in lieu of the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Financial Services printed in the bill, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 117-49, modified by the amendment printed in part A of House Report 117-366, is adopted and the bill, as amended, is considered read.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 2543

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) *SHORT TITLE.*—This Act may be cited as the “Financial Services Racial Equity, Inclusion, and Economic Justice Act”.

(b) *TABLE OF CONTENTS.*—The table of contents for this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

TITLE I—EQUITY IN MONETARY POLICY

Sec. 101. Duty to minimize and eliminate racial disparities.

Sec. 102. Appearances before and reports to the Congress.